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tion, in the first yeere of the  
raigne of our most dread  
Soueraigne Ladye  
Elizabeth, by the  
grace of god, of  
Englande,  
Fraunce, and Irelande,  
Queene, defendour  
of the fayth. &c.*

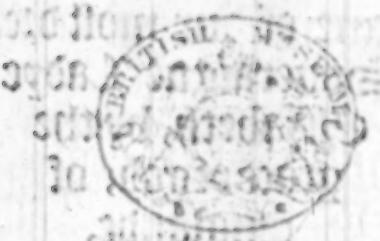
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# APPENDICES TO

THE HISTORY OF THE  
COLONIAL GOVERNMENT OF  
CANADA, 1867-1902



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Item, whether a <sup>Residence</sup> <sup>1</sup>  
yne Parson, cur-  
car, or Curate, be  
residēt continu-  
ally vpon his be-  
nefice, doing his  
duetie in pre-  
aching, reading,  
and duely min-  
istryng the holye  
Sacramentes.

Item, whether <sup>2</sup> <sup>False myacles</sup>  
in theyr Churches and Chappelles, all Images,  
Shrynes, al Tables, Candlestickes, Trindelles,  
or rolles of ware, pyctures, payntinges, and al o-  
ther monumentes of saigned and false myacles,  
pulgriimages, idolatry, and superstition, be remo-  
ued, abolished, and destroyed.

Item, whether they doo not euery holy day <sup>3</sup>  
when they haue no Sermon, immediatly after <sup>The Lordes</sup>  
the Gospel, openly, playnely, and distinctly, re-  
cite to theyr parishioners in the pulpit the Lordes  
prayer, the beleefe, and the ten commaundemen-  
tes in Englyshe.

Item, whether they doo charge fathers and <sup>4</sup> <sup>To bryng vp</sup>  
mothers, maisters, and gouernours of youth, to  
bryng them vp in some vertuous studie and oc-  
cupation.

Item, Item,

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5 Item, whether suche beneficed menne as be lawfully absent from theyr benefices, doo leaue theyr Cures to a rude and unlearned Parson, and not to an honest, wel learned, and expert Curate, whiche can and wyl teache you wholesome doctrine.

6 Item, whether they do discourage any person from readyng of any part of the Byble, eyther in Latine or Englishe, and doo not rather comforte and exhort euery person to reade the same at convenient tymes, as the very lyuely worde of God, and the spetial foode of mans soule.

7 Item, whether Parsons, Vicars, Curates, & other ministers, be common haunters and resorted to Tauerneis or Alehouses, geuyng them selues to drynkyng, ryotyng, and playing at un lawfull games, and doo not occupie them selues in the readyng or hearyng of some part of holye scripture, or in some other godly exercise.

8 Item, whether they haue admitted any man to preache in theyr Cures, not beyng lawfullye licensed thereunto, or haue benne licensed accordynglye.

9 Item, whether they vse to declare to theyr parishioners, anye thyng to the extollyng or setting forth of bayne and superstitious religion, pilgrimages, reliques, or images, or lyghting of candles

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candels, killing, kneelyng, or decking of the same images.

Item, whether they haue one booke or register <sup>10</sup> Register. kepte, wherein they wryte the day of euery wed-

ding, Christening, and buryng.

Item, whether they haue exhorted the people <sup>11</sup> Obedience. to obedience to the Queenes Maiestie, and mi-

nisters, and to charitie and loue one to another.

Item, whether they haue admonished their <sup>12</sup> The sacra-  
parishioners, that they ought not to presume to ment. receaue the Sacrament of the body and blood of Christe, before they can say perfectlye the Lordes prayer, the articles of the fayth, and the ten com-  
maundementes in Englische.

Item, whether they be resident vpon theyr be- <sup>13</sup> hospitalitie.  
nences, & keepe hospitalitie, or no. And yf they be absent, and keepe no hospitalitie, whether they do relieue theyr parishioners, & what they geue the.

Item, whether Proprietaries, Parsons, Vicars, and Clarkes, hauing Churches, Chappels, <sup>14</sup> Reparations. and Mansions, do keepe theyr Chauncelles, Rectories, Vicarages, and all other houses appertey-  
nyng to them, in due reparations.

Item, whether they do counsaile or moue their <sup>15</sup> Prayer in  
parishioners rather to pray in a tongue not known, then in Englische, or put theyr trust in any  
cer-

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Beades.

certayne number of prayers, as in saying ouer a  
number of beades, or other lyke.

16 Item, whether they haue receyued anye per-  
Dissained per- sons to the Communion, beyng openly knownen  
sons. to be out of charitie with theyr neyghbours, or  
dissained with any notorious crime, and not re-  
fourned.

17 Item, whether they haue provided, and haue  
Poore mens a strong chest for the poore mens bore, and set  
boxe. and fastened the same in a place of the Churche,  
most conuenient.

18 Item, whether they haue diligently called vp-  
Testamentes. on, exhorted, and moued theyr parishioners, and  
especially when they make theyr testamentes, to  
geue to the sayd poore mens bore, and to bestowe  
that vpon the poore, whiche they were wont to  
bestowe vpon pylgrimages, pardons, trentalles,  
and vpon other lyke blynde deuotions.

Sycke.  
Buriall.

19 Item, whether they haue denied to visite the  
sycke, or bурge the dead, beyng brought to the  
Churche.

Symonie.

20 Item, whether they haue bought their bene-  
fices, or come to them by fraude, guile, deceipt, or  
symonie.

Adulterers.

21 Item, whether they haue geuen open moni-  
tion to their parishioners, to detecte and present  
to

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to theyr Ordinarie, al adulterers, & fornicatours,  
and suche men as haue two wyues liuyng with  
in theyr parishes.

Item, whether they haue monished theyr pa- 22  
rishioners openly, that they shoulde not sel, geue, <sup>Churches</sup>  
nor otherwyse alienate anye of theyr Churche <sup>goodes.</sup>  
goodes.

Item, whether they or any of them doo keepe 23  
mo Benefices and other Ecclesiastical Promoti-  
ons, then they ought to do, not hauyng sufficient  
licenses and dispensations thereunto, and howe  
many they be, and theyr names.

Item, whether they minister the holye Com- 24  
munion anye other wyse then onely after suche  
fourme and maner as it is set foorth by the com-  
mon auctoritie of the Queenes Maiestie and  
the Parliament.

Item, whether you knowe any person within 25  
your parische, or els where, that is a letter of the  
woorde of God to be read in English, or sincerely <sup>Letters of the</sup>  
preached in place and tymes conuenient. <sup>woorde of the  
Churc.</sup>

Item, whether in the tyme of the Letanye, 26  
or any other common prayer, in the tyme of the  
Sermon or Homelye, and when the Priest rea-  
deth the Scriptures to the Parishioners, anye  
person haue departed out of the Churche, with-  
out iuste and necessarie cause, or disturbe the  
Minister

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Minister otherwyse.

27 Item, whether the money conmyng and ry-  
Church mony. syng of any Cartel, or other moueable stockes of  
the Churche, and money geuen and bequeathed  
to the syndyng of torches, lyghtes, tapers, or  
lampes, not payde out of any landes, haue not  
ben imployed to the poore mens Chest.

28 Item, who hath the sayde stockes and money  
Keepers of the  
Church mony. in theyr handes, and what be theyr names.

29 Item, whether any indiscrete person doo vise  
Contempt  
of Priestes. charitably contempnre and abuse Priestes and  
Ministers of the Churche.

30 Item, whether there be any other Grammer  
The Kynges  
Grammer. taught in any schole within this Diocesse, then  
that whiche is set forth by the auctoritie of  
kyng Henry the eyght.

31 Item, whether the seruice of the Churche be  
The tyme of  
seruice. done at due and conuenient houres.

32 Item, whether any haue vsed to communie,  
Talkers in the  
Churche. iangle, and talke in the Churche in the tyme of  
the prayer, readyng of the Homilie, preaching,  
readyng or declarynge of the scripture.

33 Item, whether any haue wylfully mayntey-  
Enclis. ned and defended any heresies, erroours, or false op-  
pinions, contrary to the fayth of Christ and holy  
scripture.

Item

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Item, whether any be common drunkardes, 34  
Drunkeardes, 1  
sweavers, or blasphemers of the name of God, and  
all suchmen conuict to prisoun and to be sent to god's  
Item, whether any haue committed adulterie, 35  
Adulterers.  
fornication, or incest, or be common hauides, or re-  
ceyueres of suche evyl persons, or be hemently sus-  
pected of any of the premises or vncleane, 36  
out pilled out, sinowmen to be paynes during  
Item, whether any be bawlers, flaunderers, 36  
chydres, scolders, and sowers of discorde betwene  
one person and another, 37  
Bawlers.  
Item, whether you knowe anye that doo use  
charmes, sorceries, enchauntmentes, invocati-  
ons, circles, witchcraftes, soothsaying, or anye  
lyke craftes or imaginacions invented by the de-  
uyll, and specially in the tyme of wemens trau-  
ayle, 38  
Sorceries.  
Item, whether the Churches, Pulpites, and  
other necessaryes apparterynge to the same, be  
sufficiently repayed, and yf they be not, in whose  
default the same is, 39  
Pulpites.  
Item, whether you knowe any, that in com-  
tempt of theyr owne parche Churche, doo resorte  
to any other Churche, 40  
Resorters to  
other churches.  
Item, whether any Inholders, or alehoole  
keepers, do use commonly to sell meate and drinke  
in the tyme of common prayer, preaching, reading  
of the Homilies, or scripture, 41  
Inholders.

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41 Item, whether you knowe any to be maryed  
Deuorse. within the degrees prohibited by the lawes of  
God, or that be separated or deuorced without the  
degrees prohibited by the lawe of God, and whe-  
ther any such haue maryed agayne.

42 Item, whether you knowe any to haue made  
Privile contractes of matrimonie, not calling two  
or mo witnesses thereto, nor hauyng thereto  
the consent of their parentes.

43 Item, whether they haue maryed solemnly,  
Banes. the bannes not first lawfully asked.

44 Item, whether you knowe any Executours, or  
Executours. administratours of dead mens goodes, whiche  
do not duely bestowe suche of the said goodes as  
were geuen and bequeathed, or appoynted to be  
distributed among the poore people, repayryng of  
hygh wayes, fyndyng of poore scollers, or marry-  
yng of poore maidens, or suche other lyke charita-  
ble deedes.

45 Item, whether you knowe anye that keepe in  
Images. their houses anye vndefated Images, Tables,  
Pictures, Paintynge, or other monumentes  
of faigned and false myracles, pylgrimage, idola-  
trie, and superstition, and doo adore them, and spe-  
cially such as haue ben set vp in Churches, Chap-  
pels, or Oratories.

46 Item, what booke of Gods Scripture you  
Books. haue

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haue deliuered to be burnt, or otherwyse destroyed, and to whom ye haue deliuered the same.

Item, what brybes the accusers, promoters, persecuters, Ecclesiasticall judges, and other the Commissioners appointed within the severall Diocesse of this Realme, haue received by thent selues or other, of those persons whiche were in trouble, apprehended, or imprisoned for religi-  
on.

Item, what goodes moveable, landes, fees, of-  
fices, or promotions, hath ben wrongfully taken  
away in the time of Queene Maries raigne, from  
any person whiche fauoured the religion no: we set  
forth.

Item, howe many persons for religion haue  
dyed by syre, famine, or otherwyse, or haue ben im-  
prisoned for the same.

Item, that you make a true presentment of the  
number of all the persons whiche dyed within  
your Parishes, sithen the feast of Saint John the  
Baptist, which was in the yeere of our Lord God,  
a thousande five hundred fiftie and eyght, unto  
the same feast last past: making therein a playne  
distinct declaration, how many men, women, and  
men chyldren the same were, and the names of the  
men.

Item, whether you knowe any man in your  
B II Parische

47  
Brybes.

48  
Loss of  
goodes.

49  
Howe many  
burnt.

50  
Certificate of  
the dead.

51  
Secretaries.

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parishe, recently, or in unlawfull contencios, say  
or heare Whistle, or any other service prohibited by  
the lawe.

52 Item, whether you knowe any person in your  
False rumours parishe, to be a malandenter of his neyghbours, or a  
sower of discorde betwene partie and partie, man  
and wife, parents and theyr chyldren, or that hath  
trumented, brynted, or set foorth any rumours, false  
and seditious tales, slaunders, or makers, brynn-  
gers, byers, sellers, keepers, or conueighers of any  
unlawfull booke, whiche might stirre and prouoke  
sedition, or maynteyne superstitious service with-  
in this Realme, or any aydours, counsellors, pro-  
curers, or maynteyners therunto.

Unlawfull  
booke.

53 Item, whether the Churche of your parishe be  
nowe vacant or no, who is the patrone therof,  
howe long it hath ben vacant, who doeth retayne  
the tythes, oblations, and other commodities du-  
ryng the tyme of the vacation, and by what au-  
thoritie: and in what estate the sayde Churche is  
at this tyme, and howe long the Parson or Vicar  
hath had that Benefice.

Patrone.  
Tythes.  
Vacation.

54 Item, whether any Minstrelles, or any other  
persons, do use to syng or say any songes, or dia-  
ties that be vise or vnicleane, and specially in de-  
rision of any godly order nowe set foorth and es-  
tablished.

Minstrelles.

55 Item, whether the Letanies in Englishe, with  
the

Letanies in En-  
glishe.

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the Epistle & Gospel, which was by the Queenes  
hyghnesse Proclamation wylled to be read to the  
people, were put in vse in your Churches, and yf  
not, who were the letters thereof.

Item, whether the Curates and Ministers do <sup>56</sup>  
leisurely, playnely, and distinctly, reade the pub-  
lique Prayers, Chapters, and Homilies, as they  
ought to doo.

Distinct re-  
dng.

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